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# *We May Choose*

## *Our Blessings*

ON one occasion a leader of the Church was asked by a non-member : “ What means does your Church use to govern its members so effectively ? ”

He answered : “ We teach them correct principles and let them govern themselves.”

This statement of profound truth is in keeping with the divine law of Free Agency. Authority in the Church exercised in any other way is contrary to the spirit of the Gospel. Any effort resembling compulsion over the souls of men, however well intended, is not in harmony with the will of God and should be avoided by those who would be effective leaders of their brethren and sisters.

Such a tolerant doctrine does not, however, relieve us of the obligation to use every rightful means of encouragement and kindly persuasion to incline our fellowmen towards righteousness and truth—failure to do so would bring us under condemnation.

The call to repentance has ever been the burdened message of Prophets and Teachers from the beginning of this earth’s family. They have pointed out the blessings that come from obedience to eternal truth and the consequences of disobedience. But always we have been left the right of choice as expressed in the Lord’s words to Cain, “ If thou doest well shalt thou not also be accepted ”, and in Joshua’s plea to Israel, “ Choose ye this day whom ye shall serve.”

Truly it can be said, “ We are products of our choices ” :

For every sacrifice there is a reward  
 For every service rendered a compensation  
 For every harmful appetite curbed a growth  
 For every compassionate act a remuneration  
 For every obedience a blessing

Not always has the Lord specified the time, place or nature of the blessings that follow obedience to Gospel Truths. But by an irrevocable decree He has left no doubt as to the certainty that they will be forthcoming, in His own coinage and own time. Honest souls in great numbers can bear witness to this truth.

Thus we can move forward with positive confidence, knowing the Lord’s will concerning us and assured that voluntary obedience to divine truth will bring glorious fulfilment of life’s purposes.

C.G.M.K.

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# **THEY ARE AGENTS UNTO THEMSELVES**

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BY DOUGLAS C. MILES

ONE evening after supper in 1899 Elbert Hubbard wrote an editorial that he printed titleless in a small magazine he edited named the *Philistine*. It was written in a single hour. He said, "The thing leaped hot from my heart, written after a trying day, when I had been endeavouring to train some rather delinquent villagers to . . . get radio active."<sup>1</sup> The writing followed a discussion with his son, Bert, who suggested that a fellow named Rowan was the real hero of the Cuban war.

The magazine carrying the article went out and soon orders started coming in requesting additional copies to get the titleless article. Soon thousands of copies were requested, and one day George H. Daniels of the New York Central Railroad arranged for the printing of one half-million copies, and reissued it two or three times. All New York Central employees received one and at that time Prince Hilakoff, Director of Russian Railroads, saw it, had it translated into Russian and distributed a copy to every Russian railroad employee. Other countries took it up—Germany, France, Spain, Tur-

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key, Hindustan, and China. During the Russian and Japanese War the Japanese found copies of it on Russian soldiers, translated and printed it again. The Mikado ordered that every soldier and civilian in the government employ be given a copy. It was soon translated into every written language and published in over 40 million copies. It has become one of our literary classics.

What did the article say? It merely said that when war broke out between Spain and the United States President McKinley needed to get a message to a fellow by the name of Garcia, leader of the

Cuban insurgents. He was somewhere in the mountains of Cuba, no one knew where. No one knew how to get information to him. Someone told the President a fellow by the name of Rowan could find Garcia. Rowan was given a message wrapped in oilskin and four days later was dropped off the Cuban coast in an open boat. Three weeks later Rowan emerged on the other side of the island having delivered his message to Garcia. Hubbard states, "The point I wish to make is this: McKinley gave Rowan a letter to be delivered to Garcia; Rowan took the letter and did not ask, 'Where is Garcia at?'"<sup>22</sup> He then elaborated for 1200 words on the wonderful ability of a few souls in this world who can do things without being lead through each step by an overseeing hand.

The Lord inspired the Prophet Joseph Smith to comment on this subject thusly, "For behold it is not meet that I should command in all things, for he that is compelled in all things, the same is a slothful and not a wise servant; wherefore, he receiveth no reward. Verily I say, men should be anxiously engaged in a good cause and do many things of their own free will; and, bring to pass much righteousness. For the power is in them wherein they are agents unto themselves; and in as much as men do good they shall in no wise lose their reward."<sup>23</sup>

Someone ought to burn this message into the heart of every Latter-day Saint member. Many have already learned this lesson somewhere or the church would not be moving as it is today. What of the Prophet Joseph when the Father said in effect, "You will be an

instrument in My hands in establishing the Kingdom of God in this day." Were there detailed instructions on the procedure he was to follow? Moroni gave Joseph an inspired record which became known as the "Book of Mormon". Did Moroni give Joseph a detailed letter of instructions on how to translate, finance, print and distribute the record? Was he supplied with the articles of incorporation for establishing the church? Was he given a map with a journey charted to Kirtland, Missouri, and Nauvoo? Was he told how to drain the swampy point of land that extended into the Mississippi on which to build the city? Was he given a city charter for Nauvoo with plans for the Nauvoo Legion? Were there details on how to found a university, because he had never been inside a college? Was there an education for him in philosophy, literature, economics and languages?

We received some insight on *how* it was done after Oliver Cowdrey had failed in an attempt to translate the Book of Mormon. The Lord said, "Behold, you have not understood; you have supposed that I would give unto you, when you took no thought save it was to ask me. But, behold, I say unto you, that you must study it out in your mind; then you must ask me if it be right, and if it is right I will cause that your bosom shall burn within you; therefore, you shall feel that it is right."<sup>24</sup> And in II Nephi 28:30, "For behold, thus saith the Lord God. I will give unto the children of men line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little; and blessed are those who harken unto my precepts, and lend an ear unto my

council, for they shall learn wisdom."

And what of those forty men at Kirtland, Ohio, when the missionary system was really started. Were they given a detailed plan on how to finance their work, where they were to go, who they were to look for, and how to make the trip? Were they given a detailed knowledge of what they should say? They were simply told to go carry this gospel message with the best ability they had to all the world. There was no bill of particulars. Such men as Amasa Lyman, Orson Pratt, Sidney Rigdon, Luke Johnson, Oliver Cowdry, and many others were called to serve and they went. As an example, the Prophet said to Brother Lyman one day, "Brother Amasa, the Lord requires your labours in the vineyard." Amasa Lyman was a recent convert, eighteen years old; he had heard about five sermons on Mormonism, then had left his home in New Hampshire and walked 700 miles with all his possessions in a pack to become a part of the new movement. Being strong in his convictions, Brother Lyman answered promptly, "I will go."<sup>5</sup>

The writer and his companion while serving on a mission in Virginia had searched for and found an isolated member of the church. The eighty-one-year-old member converted many years before, was the sole member of the church in the entire county, but had held firm in his convictions. We sat on the porch below the stars of a clear

summer's night while he sang a number of old ballads. He paused in his singing for a long moment and stated in a reflective, counciling tone, "You know, it takes a good dog to bark alone. Every old dog in the country can bark after a good dog starts. It takes a *good* dog to bark alone."

Harry Emerson Fosdick is credited with the thought, "Faith is vision plus valour." Vision is the ability to see, to know what one wants in life. Valour is the courage to act on that vision. This process must take place within the soul of the individual. Somehow the principle of being an "agent unto ourselves" seems quite fundamental in our philosophy. Certainly Joseph Smith must have fully understood this principle and wanted us to know it. He taught the principle in supreme expression, his life's work; perhaps the only way it could clearly be taught.

Then there was Brigham Young and Heber J. Grant and David O. McKay, your stake president, your bishop, and you—and tomorrow your son.

"For behold it is not meet that I should command in all things . . . for he that is compelled in all things the same is a slothful and not a wise servant."<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *The Note-Book of Elbert Hubbard*, Elbert Hubbard, Wm. H. Wise and Co., New York, N.Y., by the Roycrofters, 1927, p. 139.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 140.

<sup>3</sup> *Doctrine and Covenants* 58:26-28.

<sup>4</sup> *Doctrine and Covenants* 9:7-9.

<sup>5</sup> *Joseph Smith An American Prophet*, John Henry Evans, The MacMillian Co., New York, 1946, p. 74.

<sup>6</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 74.

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*Initiative is doing the right thing without being told.*

Elbert Hubbard

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## AWARDS

It is with great pleasure that the Y.W.M.I.A. Board announces the following awards:

Maureen Sylvia Iles—First Year Mia Joy

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Joan P. Perry—Second Year Mia Joy

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## District Presidents Meet

On June 27 and 28, the District Presidents, Supervising Elders, and other representatives (picture below) of the fourteen districts in the British Mission, gathered at "Ravenslea", South London, for the semi-annual District Presidents' Conference. Presiding at and conducting the meetings was President Clifton G. M. Kerr with the other members of the Mission Presidency. The main topics of discussion were branch and district problems and operation, missionary activities, and the coming Autumn district conferences.



# DOING THE IMPOSSIBLE

*by Fenton L. Williams*

**D**O you ever have difficult problems to solve or serious obstacles to overcome? If so, this little story may help you as it has helped me and scores of others who have heard it.

Shortly before the turn of the last century a young man named Abinadi (Nad for short) Olsen was sent by his church to be a missionary in the far away islands of the South Pacific. Some years after his return he related this incident in my hearing.

“I was not happy with my assignment”, Brother Nad said, “I couldn’t speak their language and seemed to be accomplishing nothing. Living conditions were bad. My abode was a rude mud hut. Homesick and discouraged after about three months of this, I resolved to catch the next boat back to mission headquarters on another island and tell them I was finished. I would go home and not waste more time.”

“Then I had this interesting experience”, he continued, “As I lay on my mat on the floor of my hut a strange man entered and in my own language told me to get up and follow him. His manner was such that I had to obey. He led me out through the village and directly up against the face of a perpendicular solid rock cliff. ‘That’s strange’ thought I. ‘I’ve never seen that here before’, and just then the stranger said, ‘I want you to climb that cliff.’”

“I took another look and then in bewilderment said, ‘I can’t. It’s impossible!’”

“‘How do you know you can’t? You haven’t tried’, said my guide.”

“‘But anyone can see’—I started to say in objecting. But he cut in with, ‘Begin climbing. Reach up with your hand—now with your foot.’”

“As I reached, under orders that I dared not disobey, a niche seemed to open in the solid rock cliff and I caught hold. Then with my one foot I caught a toe hold.”

“‘Now go ahead’, he ordered. ‘Reach with your other hand’, and as I did so another place opened up and to my surprise the cliff began to recede; climbing became easier and I continued the ascent without difficulty until, suddenly, I found myself lying on my pallet back in my mud hut. The stranger was gone!”

“‘Why has this experience come to me?’ I asked myself; and the answer came quickly. I had been up against an imaginary cliff for those



three months. I had not reached out my hand to begin the climb. I hadn't really made the effort I should have made to learn the language and surmount my other problems".

Needless to say Brother Nad didn't catch the next boat. He stayed; he soon learned the language; he became an exceptional missionary and, though but a youth, he won the love and respect of the natives.

This story has been without price in my life. I remember in taking correspondence courses in higher mathematics when I bumped into problems that were "unworkable" I'd think of Brother Nad. Then I'd begin by writing some statement about the problem. Invariably it would lead to another and another and finally the solution.

For years I taught ninth grade algebra classes. The cliff climbing story became a regular order of business as each class reached the thought problem stage and students began to say, "This is impossible; I know I can't do it". "The first step in climbing the cliff", I told them, "is—after carefully reading your problem—write: Let  $X=$ ; then go back into the problem and find something to let it equal." Many of these students have since told me of the value of this little story not only in algebra but through life.

The moral: If something really difficult has to be done or needs to be done—**Start doing it.**

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## LDS Books



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*The birthplace of  
the Prophet, in  
Sharon, Vermont*

Heavenly Father in whose image and likeness men were created.

Three years later, he was shown by a messenger of God the location of some ancient records both sacred and secular of a branch of the House of Israel who had inhabited the American Continent before and after the time of Christ. From these records and by the "gift and power of God," he translated in 1829, *The Book of Mormon*. In the same year he received a visitation first from John the

*Monument of Moroni, at  
the top of the Hill Cumorah*



Baptist and later from Peter, James and John, who ordained him to the Priesthood—the power to act in God's name.

A year later, April 6, 1830, at only 24 years of age, he established by Divine command and direction the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints with an organization and operation after the manner of Christ's Church in former days. From its initial membership of six, it grew to 50,000 followers at the death of the Prophet 14 years later, and to over 300,000 by the turn of the century.

Thus Joseph Smith became the first prophet of these latter days commissioned of God to effect a Restoration of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Although, from the beginning, thousands accepted his testimony and his teachings and rejoiced in their membership in the Church, his work did not proceed unopposed. In common with men of all ages who have come with a message from God, he and his followers learned by hard experience to understand the meaning of ridicule and persecution. His life con-

sisted of one obstacle and hardship after another.

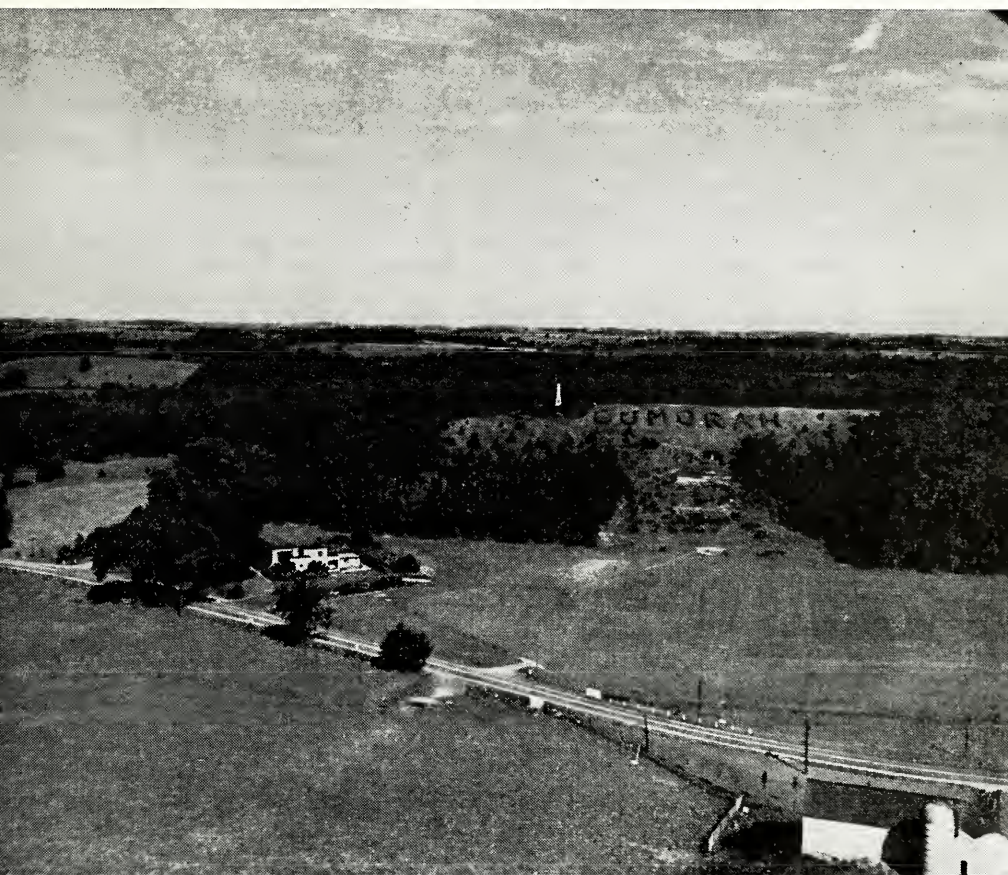
Although he was never convicted of breaking the law, he was arrested and brought before the courts of the land 39 times; he spent six months in filthy jails in Missouri, was mobbed several times, once tarred and feathered and left for dead, driven with his followers from lands and homes and possessions and from the State in which he lived three distinct times, and finally martyred by an armed mob with painted faces at Carthage, Illinois, on June 27th, 1844, at the age of only 38 years.

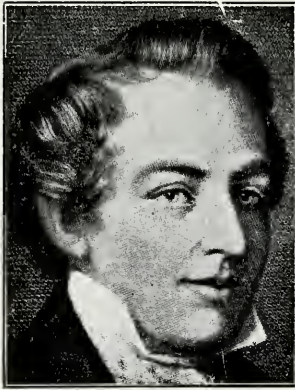
But with all of the prejudice, contempt, bitterness and violence

which he met and the hardships and wrongs he endured, he retained to the end a patience in suffering, a meekness before God, a love and respect for his fellow men, and an enthusiasm for the work that was a constant example to his followers and to the world.

Yet at times it was disturbing to him that truth should be so violently opposed by men. His words expressed his attitude and his situation: "I had actually seen a light, and in the midst of that light I saw two Personages, and they did in reality speak to me; and though I was hated and persecuted for saying that I had seen a vision, yet it was true; and while they were

*An aerial view from the west of the Hill Cumorah, where Joseph Smith obtained the records from which he translated the Book of Mormon*





JOSEPH SMITH

persecuting me, reviling me, and speaking all manner of evil against me falsely for so saying, I was led to say in my heart: Why persecute me for telling the truth? I have actually seen a vision; and who am I that I can withstand God, or why does the world think to make me deny what I have actually seen? For I had seen a vision; I knew it, and I knew that God knew it, and I could not deny it, neither dared I do it; at least I knew that by so doing I would offend God, and come under condemnation."

Through all of the set-backs he received and even when all of the forces of evil seemed to combine against him to destroy him and his

work, he never seemed to fear or doubt for the ultimate triumph and success of the cause he was founding. Two of the first lessons he had learned were that God often chooses the weak things of the world to accomplish His great purposes and to confound the things which are mighty, and also that "the works, and the designs, and the purposes of God cannot be frustrated, neither can they come to naught . . . It is not the work of God that is frustrated, but the work of men."<sup>3</sup> His own life is the best example of both of these facts.

He was born in Sharon, Vermont, in 1805, grew up as a farm boy in the backwoods areas of Vermont and New York State, a place, at that time, of intellectual, social and spiritual barrenness. With less than three years of formal education, he had little opportunity for scholarship. Throughout his youth, he, with his family, lived in poverty, "doomed to the necessity of obtaining a scanty maintenance by his daily labour."

From these humblest of circumstances, lacking even the preparation and training afforded most young people, he was called of God to perform a tremendously difficult work. And because he

*Home of Peter Whitmer, Sr., Fayette, Seneca County, New York, where the Church was organised*



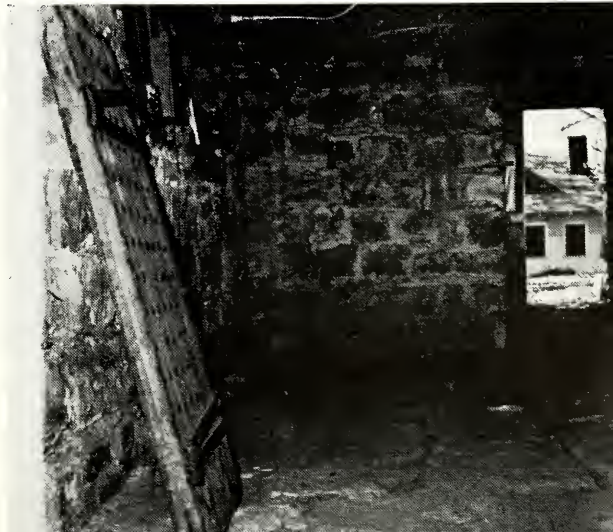


*The Susquehanna River, near the place where Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery received the Aaronic Priesthood under the hands of John the Baptist*

obeyed with a simple faith, and applied himself to his responsibilities and to the performance of his Divine calling, he was made strong and became "great in the eyes of God" as the scripture had promised—equal to any task or problem, spiritual or temporal, that presented itself. He became one of the most capable men of our times, exerting an almost unbelievable influence and range of knowledge and experience in many fields.

Besides establishing the Kingdom of God firmly upon the earth, sending out missionaries and making converts on two hemispheres, he planned and founded a city, with new laws, institutions and forms of architecture, originated numerous other settlements, instituted the publication of several periodicals, established a University and other schools, organised the building of two temples for his people at an extraordinary sacri-

*The gaol in Liberty, Missouri, where Joseph Smith and five companions were held for six months without being brought to trial*





*An artist's drawing of the City of Nauvoo and the Nauvoo Temple, founded and built by Joseph Smith and his followers and the largest City in Illinois until the "Mormon Exodus" in 1846*

fice, became mayor of the largest town in Illinois, organised and trained militias and became commander-in-chief of the largest body of trained soldiers outside of the national army, started a large and steady flow of immigration to Western America, organised industrial projects, was nominated for President of the United States, published, besides the Book of Mormon, another volume of scripture containing some 130 of his revelations, and wrote a six-volume history of the Church.

In addition to this, he taught Divine truth so simply and clearly as to provide the answers to questions that had been puzzling religious philosophers for hundreds of years—about the origin of man and his relationship to God, the purpose of life, the possibilities of man in eternity, the necessity and use of free agency, the opposition of good and evil, the atonement of Christ, the relationship between grace and works, the purposes and necessity of the ordinances of the gospel, the relationship of energy and matter in

the universe, the greater significance of family relationship here and hereafter, the nature and use of the Priesthood, etc.

Thus, by his life and by his teachings, he was able to instil faith and confidence and a sense of purpose of life in the hearts of thousands. They accept it as a matter of fact that Joseph Smith "has done more, save Jesus only, for the salvation of men in this world, than any other man that ever lived in it."

He accomplished the work that God gave him to do. His time on the earth was not long, but from his 50,000 followers in 1844 who mourned the loss of their leader, to the million and a half Latter-day Saints today who revere and honour his memory, there is rejoicing in the knowledge that he "left a fame and name that cannot be slain." He lived great, and he died great in the eyes of God and his people."

—R.L.E., Jnr.

<sup>1</sup> 2 Nephi 3:7-8.

<sup>2</sup> Joseph Smith 2:13-17.

<sup>3</sup> D. & C. 3:1, 3.



*Carthage Gaol, Illinois, where Joseph Smith was martyred, June 27, 1844*

## ***DISTRICT CONFERENCES***

The schedule of district conferences for the Autumn of 1957 is as follows:

August 17 - 18	Birmingham
August 24 - 25	Wales
August 31 - September 1	Newcastle
September 7 - 8	Scotland
September 14 - 15	Nottingham
September 21 - 22	Hull
September 28 - 29	Sheffield
October 5 - 6	London
October 12 - 13	Liverpool
October 19 - 20	Leeds
October 26 - 27	Bristol
November 2 - 3	Norwich
November 9 - 10	Ireland
November 16 - 17	Manchester

# *Your Fellow-Men and You*

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“**M**AN is a social being; God has designed him to be such. From infancy to old age he is dependent upon others for his development, education and happiness.” (President David O. McKay, *Gospel Ideals* p. 197). As young babies we soon recognise our association and dependency upon others. We realise that by crying we would receive attention from those around us. As we began Primary, Sunday School and the lower forms in public school we broaden our associations beyond the immediate family and neighbourhood, playmates to classmates and teachers. This widening of our associations makes it necessary for us to harmonise many of our own desires with those of the teachers and classmates. This harmonising process is part of our education in enjoying life along with reading, writing and multiplication tables. As we enter into our late teens and early twenties the dependency on others to obtain a more complete happiness is manifest in the fact that young people begin looking for a mate, which is realised in the holy covenant of marriage, which has been ordained of God, “. . . neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord.” (1 Cor. 11:11).

Thus we see, God has ordained man to be associated with others and that he cannot separate himself from society and obtain the fullest degree of happiness.

The greatest formula for living in the society we do is contained within the gospel of Jesus Christ; part of which is the principal of losing oneself for the gospel, one's fellow-men and many righteous purposes greater than personal wants and desires. This is clearly taught by the Master when he said: “. . . Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; But whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.” (Mark 8: 34-35). It is also illustrated in the Master's life, wherein his major concern next to doing the will of God was the thoughts, needs and feelings of his fellow-beings.

“A certain woman which had an issue of blood twelve years. And had suffered many things of many physicians and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse. When she had heard of Jesus came in the press behind, and touched his garment. For she said, If I may touch but his clothes I shall be whole. And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague. And Jesus immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said Who



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BY ELDER KAY H. CHRISTENSEN

*British Mission Secretary*

touched my clothes? And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, who touched me?" (Mark 5: 25-31).

Jesus felt the virtue go from him. He was sensitive to the touch of faith, and also to the need of the individual.

When he was arrested he said, "I have told you that I am he: If therefore ye seek me, let these (his disciples) go their way". (John 18:8).

As we go through this life with our fellow social beings and seek for true happiness, we would do well to follow the example of the Saviour and his disciples in striving to lose ourselves in the thoughts, desires, needs, and salvation of our fellowmen. We can do this by striving to develop those ideal social characteristics given to us in the Holy Scriptures.

One of the most outstanding is that of showing understanding to our fellow-men. We do not all see things in the same light. Many times an act will be performed that to us is inconsistent with the behaviour of that individual. On the other hand there are many things that we might not know behind the actions presented. There can be worry, sickness, financial distress and a multitude of things that can and do reflect upon our outward actions. No man is a machine, yet sometimes we expect the same type of consistency from him that we do a machine, not taking into consideration his problems and worries. Such as the time, the always smiling and good natured Branch President criticised rather sharply the new branch member for not arriving to his meeting on time when he had the lesson to present. Looking into the weight of the responsibilities on the Branch President we can perchance see the reason for the, as it appeared, rash criticism. The reports were overdue, the branch teachers had failed their responsibility, and a Sunday School teacher had asked to be released; not to mention the worries at home. His young seven and a half year old boy had just the day before been taken to the hospital with a broken leg, received when he fell with his bicycle.

Before we make any rash decisions, judgments or say anything that might cause injured feelings we should strive to know more about the thoughts and reasons for such action. By asking ourselves such questions as: What is the other side of the story? Is the individual well? What has the environment and background been? we can gain a better understanding as to why our fellow brothers and sisters in the Church and neighbours act the way they do. There is always a reason for the action in one form or another.

Let us take the example given us by the great king and prophet Solomon in his request to the Lord. "Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?" (1 Kings 3:9.)

It is noted that this request was pleasing to the Lord, (1 Kings 3:10), thus Solomon was blessed with the great virtue of understanding. (1 Kings 3:11-12).

We can further lose ourselves in the interest of others by showing our appreciation to those with whom we associate. Many times we forget the value of the word THANKS. It is small yet it carries such a significant meaning. In our latter-day scriptures the Lord has told us to continue giving thanks to him; "Thou shalt thank the Lord thy God in all things." This we do in our prayers to him daily, but many times after that we forget the word. We will go about our daily work expecting services from those whose duty it is to serve us, as the shopkeeper and laundryman, forgetting to utter these words of appreciation. If these services were taken from us, but for a short time, we would soon realise how much they mean to us.

One of the most important places for this much needed virtue along with business and social activities is in the home. We have often seen the contented smile that crosses the face of a mother or wife when she has been told by the children or the man of the house that her dinner was good and sincerely appreciated by all. We should all be free in offering our thanks for one another and to one another for the kindnesses rendered in the home.

President David O. McKay when once asked to reveal his innermost thoughts answered with an expression of gratitude, part of which is as follows: "To give you a more intimate glimpse, however, I must tell you that recent events have given me a yearning to meet again my father and mother just to tell them what their lives, their daily example and willing sacrifices for their children have meant to me. I want to acknowledge to them my unpayable debt of eternal gratitude."

Let us realise that man is a social being, dependent upon others to reach the fullest degree of happiness attainable in this world or the world to come. And to enjoy our association with people we should strive to lose ourselves in the interest of our fellow-men through developing those ideal social virtues given in the Gospel of Jesus Christ of which understanding and appreciation is so much a part.

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## Visual Aid

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## Well Done . . .

Early in the year I had the great privilege of witnessing the final dress rehearsal of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" which was performed by the Blakenhale Primary of the Birmingham District. This was truly a wonderful performance and all who took part are to be commended.

The scenery was made by Brother Chapman, and painted by Brother and Sister Chapman and Ann, Brothers Makin, Hannah, Armstrong and D. Edge, also Sister B. Course. It was beautifully painted and arranged—the scenery being equal to any I've seen on the legitimate stage. It had a spectacular effect and the forest scene was especially good.

Sister P. Chapman wrote the playlet and Sister Gwendel Burgess made the costumes which were very effective. The materials were conjured by Brother Frank Tennant and therefore cost nothing.

The music was furnished by Mrs. Riley, a non-member, who gave her time freely and, judging by the standard of the singing, she must have spent a lot of time on practises.

The children who took part were exceptionally good—particularly the wicked queen, Snow White and the Prince. All the dwarfs played their parts very well and I must make special mention of the bunnies and the tiny daffodil dancers. Lighting was used to very good advantage and I shall long remember the transition of the wicked queen into a witch—all in a matter of seconds and the flash of a bulb. It really equalled any professional performance I've seen. Sisters Burgess and Chapman must have spent a great deal of time (plus patience) in training the children but the results certainly justified their efforts.

The pantomime was seen by three hundred and fifty people in Blakenhale and Handsworth Branch and the sum of fourteen pounds was raised for the budget fund. A very gallant effort indeed! Carry on, Blakenhale, we shall watch your progress with interest. We are proud of you.

Gladys Quayle, *Mission Primary President.*

*Blakenhale  
Primary's  
presentation of  
"Snow White  
and the  
Seven Dwarfs"*



## *Branch and District Activities*

### **Birmingham**

On Whit-Monday a group of sixteen investigators and members of the Kidderminster Branch went on an excursion to Stourport-on-Severn. The afternoon was spent most enjoyably taking a trip up the Severn, playing softball and seeing the fair. This was the first social event under the leadership of the new Branch President, President Ronald Thomas whose enthusiasm will prove a big lift to the Branch.

### **Bristol**

Cheltenham Branch held a social on June 22 to celebrate the 21st birthday of Elder Brockbank, several other June birthdays and the engagement of Brother Colin Price to Sister Dorothy Iles. The highlight of the evening was a skit called "Baby Doll" given by Elders Brockbank and Anderson.

Bristol M.I.A. won the Silver Cup presented by the District Presidency for the M.I.A. attaining the highest number of points in the M.I.A. Festival held at Stroud on June 10. Bristol won the trophy by gaining the highest number of points in the sports and second place in the Drama Group.

Bristol Relief Society held a Farewell Social on May 23 for Sister J. McGhie who flew to Canada on June 5 to visit her daughter. She was presented with a book as a parting gift and a token of good wishes by the sisters who will miss her.

A surprise party was organised by Bristol M.I.A. led by Sister Marline Wood to celebrate the birthday on June 25 of Sister Pat Perry who was presented with some Skiffle Group figurines by the members, a nylon scarf and box of handkerchiefs by District President Sherman Johansen and Elder Glover and a number of birthday cards.

Sister Julia Annie Cooke of the Stroud Branch celebrated her 90th birthday on July 10, and was grateful for the flowers and cards which she received from the members of the Bristol District.

### **Hull**

Grimsby Relief Society gave a supper on July 4 to all members of the Branch over the age of sixteen. The Branch President welcomed the members and their friends and stated that the purpose of the dinner was to raise funds to purchase curtains for the new stage. President Charles W. Penrose offered the blessing on the food and Brother John Jenner took photographs of the table which had been beautifully decorated by the sisters.

Forty people attended the supper including the missionaries from the entire District. Elder Davis entertained with a yodelling song accompanied by Sister Agnes Hammond and records of the Tabernacle Choir were played.

In an effort to raise funds for the Second Quorum of Elders, the Grimsby Priesthood held a social



*Members of the Leeds District Priesthood on top of the York Minster during a recent outing*

on June 20. This was a most enjoyable evening and though the attendance was a little smaller than usual, everyone had a good time. Prizes were won by the younger people during the evening and £1 0s. 1d. was sent for the Quorum Fund.

On June 2 the Hull Branch Scouts and Cubs paraded with the whole of the city's youth organisations for an Empire Youth Sunday rally. It was their first outing with the new flag which has been donated by one of the sisters of the branch, and they made a good start. We look forward to ever increasing activity from these fine boys.

On June 15 the first social of the month was held and a second activity was the District Gold and Green Ball held on the 22nd. This lovely evening was not as impressive as we had hoped owing to the

small number of members from other branches attending. However, on both occasions those who were present thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

We had a surprise on the 18th when we had an unexpected visit from Brother and Sister Grant Robinson of Pasadena, California, who were on an extensive tour of Europe. Brother Robinson was largely instrumental in the preliminary work, design, etc., for the Hull Chapel when on a mission in 1932/33. Unfortunately they were unable to stay, having a very tight schedule, but they did manage to attend Primary.

The Cubs of the Hull Branch went to camp in York on the 29th due to the good graces of the York Branch where they were accommodated. They were able to attend the District Primary Convention

*Members of  
the Gravesend  
and Romford  
Branches on  
a Whit-Monday  
activity*



there and gained much valuable experience.

### **Irish**

Belfast Sunday School organised an outing to Ballywater Millisle via Bangor on June 14.

Sister Olive Lynn left Belfast for London, Ontario, on July 3, prior to her departure the Relief Society presented her with a musical doll.

### **Leeds**

On June 8 the Leeds District again had the honour of meeting with the Manchester District in another Inter-District Sports Event. Leeds only just managed to win the cup with the points for second and third places. During the evening Leeds put on a social with numbers by the Dewsbury, Huddersfield, and Halifax skiffle groups. There were also musical items by Bradford Branch.

Dewsbury Branch held a social in aid of the Sunday School library and visual aid fund on June 15. Sister Betty Murphy was in charge of the evening and thirty-five people attended.

A film show was held on June 29 at Dewsbury by Sister Whitaker who showed some very interesting pictures.

Leeds Branch held a garden party on June 15 at the home of President and Sister Tassell. The day was perfect with glorious sunshine from beginning to end. Games were played and in spite of the heat the children were just bubbling over with energy. After refreshments had been served the party walked around Yeadon Dam and paddled in the cool water.

Sisters Butterfield and Pallister of Leeds took their Sunday School classes to Otley on June 22. The day was wet and cold at first but the sun shone during the afternoon and made the bathing-pool look very inviting. Brothers Richardson and Pallister assisted the sisters ably during the outing.

Halifax Branch held their annual Sunday School outing on June 31. This year the children were taken to Manor Heath Park where games were provided by Brothers H. Walker and R. Simon.

Leeds District Priesthood held an outing to York on June 22. The brethren enjoyed a tour of York then visited the Minster where they wearily climbed the steps to the top of the tower where they sang some L.D.S. hymns. The party then visited the shambles and after tea the castle museum. To finish the day a boat was hired for a trip up the river where again hymns were sung lustily to an audience of smaller boats. The trip was organised by Brother H. Walker of Halifax who was a very able and interesting guide.

### **Liverpool**

The farewell party for Brother and Sister Bowden of Stockport was held at the Textile Hall on May 30. This dear Brother and Sister together with their daughter were wished the best of luck on their venture to Canada by about sixty-eight members and relations. During this memorable evening a presentation of a canteen of cutlery and a Wimsie set was made by President Roberts.

Thirty-two members of Stockport Sunday School enjoyed an outing to Furness Vale on June 22. Races and games were organised by Brother Staniforth on the recreation ground and refreshments were enjoyed by old and young alike. Sister B. Marriott put her house at the disposal of the members who were truly blessed by the fine weather.

### **London**

Newchapel Relief Society Sisters gave a Concert and Dance in Newchapel House on June 29. The amusing skits were very enjoyable and hot dogs, cakes and squash were served by the teenagers.

A few faithful genealogy members have been very busy at Newchapel during these lovely summer evenings and so far have collected over two thousand monumental inscriptions and are looking forward to doubling this figure. Three young members have joined the Genealogical Junior Class making a total of ten juniors. The five youngest members have been presented with Books of Remembrance. This work is progressing very successfully in the Branch.

It is not only wonderful, but very touching when Susan Paterson, the first child to be baptized into the West Drayton Branch bore her testimony on June 2. Not only did Susan say that she believed this to be the true Gospel of Jesus Christ, but she always felt that Jesus was keeping watch over her. Being that the Branch membership consists mostly of servicemen, it is very rare to have a full attendance at Sunday School, but on June 18, every member was present except for three who were ill. This was very pleasing to the Branch President. The Relief Society had a very enjoyable time when they visited Stoke Poges on June 20, unfortunately the Church was locked, but the sisters were able to see the memorial and cemetery. On June 22, the Relief Society held a Ham Dinner at the home of Brother and Sister Mayfield. Most members attended and had a wonderful dinner as well as an enjoyable time.

Luton Branch held a farewell party for Sister D. Rowlands and Brother J. Marchant on June 27 prior to their departure to the U.S.A. They are wished much happiness and many blessings in the days ahead. Brother Joe has worked

hard in the Branch and altered the heating in the Chapel and also decorated the Chapel during his time in the Branch.

Gravesend and Romford Branches spent Whit - Monday together at Gravesend and between the showers played football and baseball and many other games indoors. Another get-together is planned for a future occasion.

### **Manchester**

Bury Branch would like to congratulate Judith Waring on her admission to Bury High School after winning her County Scholarship examination.

Three Wythenshawe families have emigrated to North America : Brother and Sister Bailey and family and Brother and Sister Mazej have gone to Canada and Brother and Sister Wattleworth and family have gone to live in Provo, Utah. All these families will be missed for the fine work they have done and the place they have gained in the affection of the members of their Branch.

### **Newcastle**

News has arrived that Brother Ariel Cowley, who served as a missionary in the Newcastle District, and his wife, Daveda, have organised a branch of the Church in an old mining town in Idaho, U.S.A. On their estate which is high up in the mountains they have also established a camping site with a warm, spring-water swimming pool. They have opened all of this to the use of the M.I.A. organisations around the area.

On May 17, Sunderland M.I.A. presented two sketches at the Budget event which were much enjoyed by those present. Eggs and chips were served as refreshments. The Mothers and Daughters entertained by putting on a "mock" wedding complete with rhubarb leaves as bouquets and the queerest assortment of wedding presents ever before seen. The buffet supper, however, was as delicious as any ever served at a wedding feast.

South Shields Branch held a Budget Social on June 5. Entertain-

*Hucknall Branch Sunday School outing to Trentham Gardens, June 10, 1957*





*Nottingham  
Branch  
M.I.A.  
Tramp Supper*



ment was provided by Elders Kinnersly and Jones singing humorous songs and Sister Ella Wakefield with her dancing troupe. Sister Mary Johnson organised the games for both young and old whilst Sister Muriel Young and others attended to refreshments.

A very successful welfare sale was held at West Hartlepool to raise funds for the three southern Branches of the District, i.e., West Hartlepool, Middlesbrough and Darlington. The tins of food which have been collected monthly in these three Branches were sold, also new and secondhand clothing collected by the Relief Societies. The Newcastle District Elders put on a very fine concert in the evening for which a charge was made. The result was an amount of over £16 collected — enough to pay off the welfare allocation of the three Branches and more besides. The District Welfare Chairman, Brother E. Hewitt, is very grateful to the Relief Society Sisters for the enormous amount of work they did and without whom, the sale could not have been held.

After a long lapse, Darlington Branch again started M.I.A. with

a party on June 28. The programme included a song by Sister E. Milligan, a viola solo by Brother Jack Beadle and concluded with debating and dancing.

#### **Norwich**

A Grand Cabaret Dance was held following the Primary and Sunday School Conventions in Ipswich on June 29. Over one hundred and twenty-five members and friends from throughout the District were treated to a very enjoyable evening of dancing and variety. Decorated tables were placed in the front of the hall near the stage and the missionaries from the District served refreshments to the tables. There were four big Cabaret Acts consisting of two from Brother Doug Watling's ever-popular "Lester Trio", a "Sleight of Mind" act from "Unami" (Brother Jeffrey Packe) and "Two Fools in Flannel" by Brothers Wally Chiles and James Hill from London. Brother Richard Olsen, the District Y.M.M.I.A. Supervisor, headed the organisation of the Dance.

Ipswich M.I.A. held a social to open the Summer season on June 5.

Games and square dancing in the back garden were enjoyed by the twenty-five members and friends who attended. Refreshments for the evening consisted of Cydrapple and doughnuts.

Approximately thirty members of the Ipswich Branch assembled for a coach trip to Flatford on June 19. Most of those who went enjoyed boating on the river. Sister Sylvia Attwell had charge of organising the evening.

Although it rained most of the afternoon the spirit of the Saints wasn't dampened at the Ipswich Branch Sunday School outing on June 22. The children were taken to the park and enjoyed some games in spite of the light rain that prevailed. A wonderful feast was served at the Chapel. The credit for such an enjoyable afternoon is due to the efforts of the Sunday School Superintendency, Brothers James Sorenson, Dean Allred and Daren Critchfield.

It seems that hardly a month goes by but what Ipswich Branch holds some kind of farewell party, the latest one for the District President, James Kemp, and was held on July 3. It was Elder Kemp's birthday on the 4th so a birthday cake was also provided for the occasion. Approximately forty-five members and friends attended the social in his honour. Elder Kemp has endeared himself in the hearts of the Saints and investigators and will certainly be missed when he returns to the States. The new District President, Elder Larry Wimmer, was also officially welcomed at this social.

Southend Branch priesthood arranged an outing for the children on June 22 which was followed in

the evening by a supper and social given by the recently formed group of Singing Mothers. All the food was donated by the sisters who worked together on the cooking and serving whilst the Priesthood took charge of the games. The Branch benefitted by having lots of fun and £2 12s. 6d. in funds.

### **Nottingham**

The District M.I.A. Summer Festival was held in Nottingham on June 22 and although the weather was not too kind, a successful Sports Meeting was held in the afternoon and the Sports Cup was won by the Leicester Branch. In the evening a high standard was set in the Arts Festival, and over seventy members and friends enjoyed the poetry, extemporaneous public speaking, choral and handicraft groups. The Arts Shield was awarded to the Eastwood M.I.A. and certificates of merit were awarded to the competitors achieving the highest standard.

A wonderful Whit-Monday was spent in the Loughborough Branch when a party of forty-one hiked up to Hanginstone Rock for a day's outing. Foot races were organised for the adults as well as the children and afterwards the men indulged in a game of football while the Sisters sat and watched; a game of softball concluded the activities. The weather kept really fine and an enjoyable day was had by all present.

Funds raised at four socials earlier in the year enabled the Hucknall Branch Sunday School to enjoy a successful outing to Trentham Gardens on June 10. The outing was organised by Brothers Edward Wright and Ernest Hammond.

Old clothes and dirty faces were the order of the day at the Nottingham M.I.A. Tramp Supper on May 31 when thirty-one of Nottingham's most distinguished tramps met at Trentmor. After the crowning of Brother John Taylor and Sister Pauline Keward as King and Queen of the Road, a Treasure Hunt was held. Sausage, mash and cocoa were then served in a variety of containers and a fine show of extemporaneous entertainment concluded a very happy evening.

On June 8, a novel activity held in Nottingham saw fifty-two members and friends engaged in a good cause. This was the first Branch gardening party, and hedges, lawns, flower-beds, vegetable gardens and fences soon bore the imprint of the most devastating invasion of the century. The invaders were well armed and completely ruthless but after a three-hour onslaught a peace-offering was made in the form of free refreshments and all was calm. The M.I.A. organised a Talent Show during the evening and all items presented were specially requested. Thus ended a most enjoyable, productive and satisfying day, a veritable landmark in Branch history.

The Nottingham Sisters came in to their own on June 15 when the Branch Priesthood organised a Ladies' Evening under the direction of Brother Tom Heszeltine, Social Chairman of the Nottingham Elders' Group, and Brother James Fletcher of the Seventh Quorum of Elders. The brethren prepared and served a fine meal for the ladies followed by an entertainment presented by a local concert party. Total attendance was sixty including the children who were catered for separately and the evening was much appreciated by the sisters.

On June 28, Nottingham M.I.A. held a farewell party for Sister Jill Abrahams prior to her emigration to America. The following day a coach-load of friends escorted Sister Abrahams from Nottingham to London Airport and gave her a wonderful send-off.

### Scottish

Edinburgh Branch held a picnic in Laughton Park on June 15. Thirty-four people attended and the outing was blessed with perfect weather. The usual races were run and prizes given. Ice-cream and lemonade were served after foot-



*Edinburgh Branch members and friends at their "Round Up" party*

ball and rounders and were very welcome.

On June 23, prior to her leaving Edinburgh Branch, Sister E. McCormack was presented with a table-cloth and napkins by President R. E. Spikin in recognition of all the work and love she has given to the Branch. She was also given a brooch by the Relief Society of which she has been President for the past two years. Sister McCormack is going to be greatly missed when she moves shortly with her family to Liverpool.

During Aberdeen's M.I.A. outing into the country on June 11, an "on-the-spot" nature study lesson was given by Brother Alistair Smith who gave the town dwellers a greater knowledge of the countryside.

### Sheffield

Several weeks ago, the Sheffield Branch Executive of the

Y.W.M.I.A. thought it would be a good idea to revive the choosing and ultimate crowning of a Rose Queen. All the Sheffield M.I.A. registered their votes and an M.I.A. maid, Miss Diane Law, was chosen with Miss Anne Beaver as her attendant. Both Miss Law and Miss Beaver are non-members. The hard work was amply rewarded on June 1 when Diane, looking beautiful and radiant, emerged from the Chapel preceded by little Jane Bustin who delighted everyone in her capacity of Page. A delighted roar filled the Hall when Jane, on arriving at the dais, proceeded with calm dignity befitting a queen and settled down comfortably on the Throne. The ceremony was a wonderful one and refreshments were provided later. The members enjoyed games and dancing to round off a grand evening spent in an atmosphere of love and friendliness.

### ORDINATIONS :

#### Birmingham District

Ronald Thomas of Kidderminster to Elder

#### Bristol District

Gordon M. S. Perkins of Bristol to Priest

#### Hull District

Roland Hebdon of Hull to Deacon

Ronald Taylor of Grimsby to Deacon

James Lenehan of Grimsby to Deacon

Harold Grant of Grimsby to Priest

John Robert Jenner of Grimsby to Priest

#### Leeds District

Geoffrey Simpson of Dewsbury to Deacon

Kenneth Bolton of Dewsbury to Deacon

John Roger Camm of Leeds to Priest

Stephen John Wigglesworth of Leeds to Deacon

#### Liverpool District

Peter Lovatt Gibson of Liverpool to Priest

Terence Michael Whittaker of Burnley to Teacher

Alfred John Hathaway of Burnley to Deacon

James McElroy Black of Rawtenstall to Deacon

#### London District

Thomas William West of South London to Elder

John Alan Trevor of South London to Elder

John Britton Taverner of South London to Elder

Sidney Andrew Gray of South London to Teacher

Constantinos D. I. Poupos of South London to Priest

John Frederick Woods of Luton to Deacon  
Stanley George Titmus of Luton to Deacon

#### Manchester District

Edward Gunn of Stockport to Deacon

George William Wardle of Stockport to Deacon

Alfred James K. Anderson of Stockport to Teacher

Eric Cryer of Wythenshawe to Deacon

Ambrose Percival Bates of Wythenshawe to Priest

Alan Brown of Oldham to Teacher

#### Newcastle District

Dale Kelly of Sunderland to Deacon

Ronald Whan of Sunderland to Deacon

#### Norwich District

Graham Edward Canham of Chelmsford to Deacon.

Raymond Norman Cousins of Chelmsford to Teacher

#### Nottingham District

Clarence Wright Woodward of Nottingham to Deacon

Bertram Brown of Nottingham to Deacon

#### Sheffield District

Raymond W. A. Cupitt of Chesterfield to Deacon

Jack Parsons of Chesterfield to Teacher

James A. Heesom of Chesterfield to Deacon

Lewis Arthur Brownlow of Sheffield to Teacher

Derek Harry Hall of Barnsley to Deacon

Those Having Completed the  
British Mission Public Speaking  
and Teaching Course :

*Plymouth Branch*

Robert E. Wallace  
Eunice A. L. Wallace  
Richard N. Sanders  
Doreen I. Sanders  
Jean Wise  
Anne E. Davies

**Births and Blessings**

Robert Edward Dickie and Andrew Macintyre Dickie of Ashton/Hyde Branch were blessed by Brother Tom Beverly.

Helen Ruth Dickie of Ashton/Hyde was blessed by Brother A. Entwistle.

Stephen John Lord of Bury was blessed by Elder Seely.

Rosemary Anne Roberts of Wythenshawe was blessed by Elder Timmins.

Roger Barrie Roberts of Wythenshawe by President Brown.

Peter Mark Robinson of Wythenshawe was blessed by President Kearns.

Jean Plumley of Wythenshawe was blessed by President Brown.

A son was born to Brother and Sister Ivan Wallace of Belfast on June 30.

A daughter was born to Brother and Sister John Dawson of St. Albans on May 14.

On June 2 the twin children of Brother and Sister Mills of Edinburgh were blessed and given their names : Brian was blessed by Brother J. Thompson and Christina Helen by President R. Spikin.

A son was born to Brother and Sister David Mason of Cheltenham on May 25.

The infant son of Brother and Sister Robert Cotton-Betteridge of Cheltenham was blessed on May 5 and given the names Robert Sean.

On June 2, the infant son of Brother and Sister Ernest Crone of Sunderland was blessed by President F. W. Oates and given the name of David.

**Engagements**

Sister Margaret Wild and Brother Brian Hayes, both of the Nottingham Branch, became engaged on June 15, Margaret's birthday, and the M.I.A. were well represented at the engagement party held at Margaret's home to celebrate the occasion.

On June 22, Brother Colin Price and Sister Dorothy Iles, both of Cheltenham Branch, announced their engagement.

**Marriages**

On June 1, the wedding of Sister Ethel Webster Thomson to John MacNally took place in the Aberdeen Chapel. The ceremony was performed by Branch President William Black.

Sister Doreen Taylor and Brother Harold Crookell formerly of Wythenshawe Branch were married in the Cardston Temple early in June.

**Deaths**

Brother Nephi Dewsnup of Bury recently passed away after years of suffering.

Sister E. A. Thompson of Bournemouth died suddenly at the age of sixty-nine years on June 8. The funeral was conducted by Elder M. Hinkley and tribute paid by Elder H. Summersell. The grave was dedicated by Elder Hunsaker.

Sister Thompson is sadly missed, especially at Sunday School where she was always present.

Margaret Egner Blenkhorn of the Scattered Members in the Liverpool District.

Sidonie Sara Arnoll of Wythen-shawe Branch, Manchester District.

Veronica Hopwood Brown of Leeds Branch, Leeds District

Theresa Hudson of Dewsbury Branch, Leeds District.

## MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES

### ARRIVALS :

June 25, 1957

Elder Allen Brent Brockbank

Elder Dale Martin Holmes

Elder Frederick Pratt Nielson

July 9, 1957

Elder Sterling Jean Albrecht

Elder William Brice Elkington

Elder Kent Lynn Fryer

Elder Robert Andrew Johnson

Elder Don Robert Petersen

Elder Thomas Reid Pocock

Sister Wilma Anne Pulsipher

Sister Ellen Reed

*From*

Provo, Utah

Brigham City, Utah

Bluewater, New Mexico

Salt Lake City, Utah

Tooele, Utah

Ogden, Utah

Arimo, Idaho

Logan, Utah

Logan, Utah

Logan, Utah

Glendale, California

*Assigned to*

Sheffield

Birmingham

Wales

Bristol

Manchester

Manchester

Liverpool

Newcastle

Newcastle

Norwich

London Office

### TRANSFERS :

Elder Albert Sunderland

Elder William E. Groomer

Elder Merrill J. Bateman

Elder Larry J. Andrus

Elder John L. Ward

Elder Loren R. Brockhank

Elder Ronald J. Payne

Elder Robert W. Gammon

Elder Farley L. Yeates

Sister Helen M. Livingston

Elder Kenneth L. Young

Elder Alan C. Jacobs

Elder DeLamar Holt, Jr.

Elder Robert C. Beers

Elder Robert J. McLaren

Elder Robert D. Anderson

Elder Bert R. Webster

Elder James L. Wilde

Elder Donald Wilson

Elder Ross E. Woodward

Elder Keith W. Jones

Elder Joseph R. Hawk'sn

*From*

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### APPOINTMENTS :

Elder Michael R. Hinckley appointed District President of Bristol District—July 15, 1957.

Elder Larry T. Wimmer appointed District President of Norwich District—July 10, 1957.

Elder Richard S. Knight appointed District President of Hull District—July 11, 1957.

Elder Joseph B. Romney appointed District President of Scottish District—July 15, 1957.

Elder Clyde B. Russell appointed District President of Liverpool District—July 11, 1957.

### RELEASES :

July 4, 1957

Elder David R. Ashby

July 11, 1957

Elder Francis K. Dewsbury

Elder Lynn F. Findlay, Jr.

Elder Stanley K. Goold

Elder Merlin R. Kitchen

Elder Charles W. Penrose

Elder Robert F. Williams

Sister Rosemary Scott Williams

*From*

Richfield, Utah

Picture Butte, Alberta, Canada

Kanab, Utah

Monroe, Utah

Provo, Utah

Salt Lake City, Utah

Orinda, California

Orinda, California

*Districts*

Birmingham

Sheffield, Irish

Birmingham, London, Scottish

Welsh, Hull

Sheffield, Birmingham

Birmingham, Hull\*

Liverpool\*, London Office †

Liverpool, London Office ‡

**Elder Harold James Kemp**  
**Elder Neil McEwen**  
*June 15, 1957*  
**Elder Sherman Allen Johansen**  
**Elder Wallace K. Penrose**

\* District President

Salt Lake City, Utah  
 Nottingham

Huntsville, Utah  
 Salt Lake City, Utah

† Mission Secretary

Bristol, Norwich\*  
 Bristol

Norwich, Bristol\*  
 Manchester, Scottish

‡ Mission Recorder



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**DAVID R. ASHBY**



**ELDER**  
**FRANCIS K. DEWSBURY**



**ELDER**  
**LYNN F. FINDLAY, Jr.**

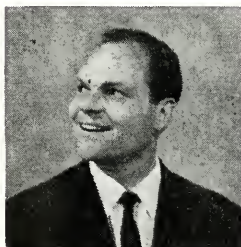
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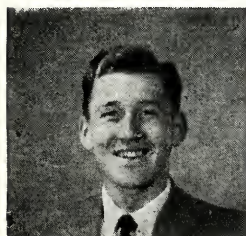
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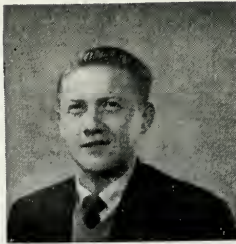


**ELDER**  
**H. JAMES KEMP**



**ELDER**  
**NEIL McEWEN**





**ELDER**  
**SHERMAN A. JOHANSEN**

**ELDER**  
**WALLACE K. PENROSE**

**BAPTISMS :**

**Birmingham District**

Kathleen Mavis Gough of Coventry  
John Thomas Gough of Coventry  
Patricia Olwyn Masters of Coventry  
Glyn Alun Davies of Coventry  
Carole Anne Davies of Coventry  
Violet May Davies of Coventry  
John Edwin Davies of Coventry  
Florence Barnfather of Wolverhampton  
Mary Ellen Bernadette Lord of Northampton  
William Alfred Carr of Northampton  
Rose Selina Pickering of Northampton  
Betty York of Northampton  
Michael John Wade of Northampton  
Brian Wade of Northampton  
Jeffrey Barrie White of Kidderminster

**Bristol District**

Patrick Gabriel Deary of Bournemouth  
Carol Annette Deary of Bournemouth  
Margery Winifred Stella Deary  
of Bournemouth  
Kenneth Martin Suggars of Cheltenham

**Hull District**

William George Machin of York

**Leeds District**

Allan Peter Moxon of Leeds  
Sylvia Osbourn of Leeds  
Gordon Osbourn of Leeds  
Ian Bruce Copley of Leeds  
Hildred Mary Moxon of Leeds  
June Maureen Moxon of Leeds  
Wilfred Smith Pickles of Dewsbury  
Ronald Webster Moxon of Leeds  
Ethel Siddall of Leeds  
Frank Chippendale of Leeds  
Margaret Theresa Klima of Leeds  
Jean Emily Chippendale of Leeds  
Ernest Felix Puremont of Leeds  
Marjorie Puremont of Leeds  
Barbara Harrison of Leeds  
Nellie Garner of Dewsbury  
Evelyn Lily Hills of Bradford  
John Hills of Bradford

**Liverpool District**

Joan Leppert of Liverpool  
Hermione Dolores Evelyn Emily Marie  
Therese Bernadett Rodriguez Chico  
Howarth of Liverpool  
John Frederick Howarth of Liverpool  
Roy Grindrod of Burnley  
Leslie Nuttall of Burnley

**London District**

Iris Lillian Grace Titmus of Luton  
John Frederick Woods of Luton  
Doreen Florence M. O'Halligan of Reading  
Rosemary Anne O'Halligan of Reading  
Brian William Wilkinson of Reading  
Jean Wilkinson of Reading  
Stanley George Titmus of Luton

Susan Janet Paterson of West Drayton  
Patricia Rosemary Dockrill of Reading

**Manchester District**

Hilda Yarwood of Oldham  
Joseph Yarwood of Oldham

**Newcastle District**

Sylvia Lodge of South Shields  
Michael Alexander Lodge of South Shields  
Robert Henry Lodge of South Shields  
Helen Begby Lodge of South Shields  
Michael Lodge of South Shields  
Isobell McDonald Lodge of South Shields  
Honoria Baker of Newcastle  
Helen Crawford Marshall of Middlesbrough  
Harold Marshall of Middlesbrough  
Caig Lithgow Marshall of Middlesbrough

**Norwich District**

Margaret Pamela McGrath of Southend  
Desmond John McGrath of Southend  
David Mark Lee of Gorleston  
Patricia Mary Neal of Norwich  
Cynthia Eva Mitchell of Norwich

**Nottingham District**

Margaret Ann Wild of Nottingham  
Dorothy Hilda M. Sneath of Leicester  
Ronald Maurice Sneath of Leicester  
Gillian Mary Sisson of Nottingham

**Scottish District**

Jessie June C. Walsh of Fdinburgh  
Walter Day of Edinburgh  
Janet Watson of Glasgow  
Isabella C. B. Morris of Airdrie  
George Forsyth of Glasgow  
Margaret H. G. Pollock of Airdrie  
Maureen O'Conner Clancy of Dundee  
Dennis O'Conner Clancy of Dundee  
Kenneth Air Speirs Ross of Dundee  
Jane Underwood Elder of Airdrie  
Marion Ried Pollock of Airdrie  
George Murray Pollock of Airdrie  
Edward Henry Conn of Aberdeen  
Brian John Sammels of Edinburgh  
Crawford Mills of Edinburgh  
William Merrilees of Edinburgh  
Isabella Marshall Galloway of Dundee  
Elizabeth Marshall Galloway of Dundee

**Sheffield District**

Pamela Hall of Doncaster  
Felicia Franziska Cupitt of Chesterfield  
Raymond Cupitt of Chesterfield  
Michael Tomlinson of Rotherham  
Anne Waldron of Sheffield  
Susan Margaret Nettleship of Sheffield  
Lewis Steven Brownlow of Sheffield  
Kenneth Fawcett Bray of Barnsley  
Rita Margaret Bray of Barnsley  
John William Smith of Barnsley

**Welsh District**

Winifred Joan Pettitt of Cardiff  
Pauline Griffiths Gray Woods of Swansea  
John Edward Woods of Swansea



EXHORTATION  
OF MORONI

AND WHEN YE SHALL RECEIVE THESE THINGS, I WOULD EXHORT YOU, THAT YE WOULD ASK GOD, THE ETERNAL FATHER, IN THE NAME OF CHRIST, IF THESE THINGS ARE NOT TRUE, AND IF YE SHALL ASK WITH A SINCERE HEART, WITH REAL INTENT, HAVING FAITH IN CHRIST, HE WILL MANIFEST THE TRUTH OF IT UNTO YOU BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY GHOST.

MORONI 10:4

AND THEY SHALL BE ONE IN  
THINE HAND. YEZEK 37:17

*Plaque on the Monument of Moroni at  
the Hill Cumorah*

The world stands out on either side  
No wider than the heart is wide  
Above the earth is set the sky  
No higher than the soul is high  
The heart can press the sea and land  
Farther away on either hand  
The soul can pierce the sky in two  
And let the face of God shine through  
But east and west will pinch the heart  
That cannot keep them pushed apart  
And he who's soul is flat  
The sky will cave in on him, by and by.

—*Edna St. Vincent Millay*